

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council
Tribal Court Room 1150 Bayview, Petoskey, MI 49770
December 2, 2001
9:15 am Smudging Ceremony
9:30 a.m.

Executive Session: yes

Call to order: Meeting was called to order at 9:46 am

Council present: Chairman Gerald V. Chingwa, Vice-Chairman George Anthony,
Secretary Fred Harrington Jr., Treasurer Alice Yellowbank, Councilor Janet Shomin,
Councilor Rita Shananaquet, Councilor Beatrice A. Law

Council absent: None

Staff present: See attached list

Guests: See attached list

Motion made by Vice-Chairman George Anthony and supported by Councilor Beatrice A. Law, to adopt the agenda for December 2, 2001 as amended.

Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 0 Absent

Motion carried

Motion made by Treasurer Alice Yellowbank and supported by Vice-Chairman George Anthony, to approve the minutes of November 18, 2001 as corrected.

Vote: 6 Yes, 1 No (Councilor Janet Shomin), 0 Abstained, 0 Absent

Motion carried

Motion made by Secretary Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Treasurer Alice Yellowbank, to accept the Tribal Administrator's verbal and written report.

Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 0 Absent

Motion carried

Motion made by Councilor Beatrice A. Law and supported by Councilor Rita Shananaquet, to approve the Tribal Chairman to sign documentation supporting the transfer of liability from Reliance to Kemper, an internal strategy of the main company titled Madigan/Pingatore Insurance Company.

Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 0 Absent

Motion carried

Chairman Gerald V. Chingwa directed the Tribal Administrator to investigate an alternative to Ameritech.

11:11 am, recess called

11:22 am, meeting reconvened

Chairman Gerald V. Chingwa directed the Tribal Administrator to have Accounting begin the process of placing the Elder's disbursement in envelopes in preparation to send out on December 8, 2001.

Motion made by Councilor Rita Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Alice Yellowbank to accept the Tribal Chairman's verbal report with written to follow.

Vote: 6 Yes, 1 No (Councilor Janet Shomin), 0 Abstained, 0 Absent

Motion carried

12:18 am, public comment, Carol McFall

12:19 am, public comment closed

12:20 pm recessed for lunch until 1:45pm

1:49 pm reconvened, Vice-Chairman George Anthony absent

Motion made by Councilor Janet Shomin and supported by Secretary Fred Harrington Jr. to approve List A - Eligible for Membership

Vote: 4 Yes, 2 No (Chairman Gerald V. Chingwa, Councilor Rita Shananaquet), 0 Abstained, 1 Absent (Vice-Chairman George Anthony)

Motion carried

Motion made by Councilor Janet Shomin and supported by Treasurer Alice Yellowbank to approve Enrollment List B, Ineligible (Lack of Documentation).

Vote: 4 Yes, 2 No (Chairman Gerald V. Chingwa, Councilor Rita Shananaquet), 0 Abstained, 1 Absent (Vice-Chairman George Anthony)

Motion carried

1:53 pm, Vice-Chairman George Anthony arrived

Motion made by Councilor Janet Shomin and supported by Vice-Chairman George Anthony to approve Enrollment List C, Ineligible.

Vote: 0 Yes, 7 No (Chairman Gerald V. Chingwa, Vice-Chairman George Anthony, Treasurer Alice Yellowbank, Secretary Fred Harrington Jr., Councilor Rita Shananaquet, Councilor Janet Shomin, Councilor Beatrice A. Law), 0 Abstained, 0 Absent

Motion failed

Motion made by Councilor Rita Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Alice Yellowbank, to return List C to Enrollment for further review.

Vote: 6 Yes, 1 No (Chairman Gerald V. Chingwa), 0 Abstained, 0 Absent

Motion carried

Motion made by Councilor Beatrice A. Law and supported by Treasurer Alice Yellowbank, to approve Enrollment List D – Relinquishment.

Vote: 5 Yes, 2 No (Chairman Gerald V. Chingwa, Councilor Rita Shananaquet), 0 Abstained, 0 Absent

Motion carried

Motion made by Treasurer Alice Yellowbank and supported by Councilor Rita Shananaquet, to approve an immediate special mailing to all adult members, informing them of the change in Enrollment with a copy of the amendment, to be paid from the Enterprise Fund line item reproduction.

Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 0 Absent

Motion carried

2:57 pm, recess called

3:05 pm, meeting reconvened

Motion made by Vice-Chairman George Anthony and supported by Councilor Beatrice A. Law to post pone action on the Odawa Institute until the representative is available.

Vote: 6 Yes, 1 No (Councilor Rita Shananaquet), 0 Abstained, 0 Absent

Motion carried

Motion made by Councilor Rita Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Alice Yellowbank, to support the agreement between the Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services, Inc. and the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Substance Abuse Program, with the authorization for the Chairman to sign the agreement.

Vote: 6 Yes, 1 No (Vice-Chairman George Anthony), 0 Abstained, 0 Absent

Motion carried

3:19 pm, public comment opened

3:20 pm, public comment closed

Motion made by Secretary Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Treasurer Alice Yellowbank, to move by resolution, the Surveillance Department to the control of the Gaming Administration.

Vote: 3 Yes, 4 No(Councilor Rita Shananaquet, Councilor Janet Shomin, Councilor Beatrice A. Law, Vice-Chairman George Anthony), 0 Abstained, 0 Absent

Motion failed

Motion made by Councilor Beatrice A. Law and supported by Treasurer Alice Yellowbank, to retain Washington DC lobbyist, Mike Anderson with the office of Monteau and Peebles, to help oppose HR 2495, the Soo/Bay Mills Mackinaw and Vanderbilt Casino bill, to be paid from the Enterprise Fund legal line item.

Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 0 Absent

Motion carried

Motion made by Councilor Janet Shomin and supported by Secretary Fred Harrington Jr., to authorize general counsel James A. Bransky to continue to provide services beyond the annual cap stated in his contract with the understanding that if the cap is reached, charges for services will be reduced through December 31, 2001 as set forth in the contract.

Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 0 Absent

Motion carried

Motion made by Councilor Janet Shomin and supported by Vice-Chairman George Anthony, to approve the Tribal Council Meeting schedule for year 2002 including Saturday work sessions.

Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 0 Absent

Motion carried

Motion made by Councilor Janet Shomin and supported by Secretary Fred Harrington Jr., to approve a Friday work session, January 4th, to include mileage, stipend, and per-diem for all work sessions and meetings scheduled for year 2002.

Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 0 Absent

Motion carried

Motion made by Councilor Janet Shomin and supported by Vice-Chairman George Anthony, to request the Gaming Administration and Mr. Olson to attend the next Council meeting for review of EJ Egghart's audit report.

Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 0 Absent

Motion carried

4:58 pm, Motion made by Vice-Chairman George Anthony and supported by Councilor Rita Shananaquet to begin executive session

Vote: 6 Yes, 1 No (Secretary Fred Harrington Jr.), 0 Abstained, 0 Absent

Motion carried

5:34 pm, Motion made by Vice-Chairman George Anthony and supported by Councilor Rita Shananaquet, to end executive session.

Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 0 Absent

Motion carried

5:35 pm, Motion made by Vice-Chairman George Anthony and supported by Councilor Beatrice A. Law, to adjourn.

Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 0 Absent

Motion carried

These minutes have been read and approved as written:

Recorded by:

Fred Harrington Jr., Tribal Secretary

Date